Zizia aurea

Golden Alexanders



This wildflower with bright golden yellow flowers prefers wetter, even saturated soils, although it tolerates drier locations as well. An important food source for butterfly larvae.

Suggested Companions: spiderwort (Tradescantia ohiensis), sedges (Carex sp.), cinnamon fern (Osmunda cinnamomea), interrupted fern (Osmunda claytoniana), royal fern (Osmunda regalis), blue-eyed grass (Sisyrinchium angustifolium)

Bloom Time:

May

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Plant Type: Wildflower

2-3' Size:

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Swamp/Bog

Wet Meadow Woodland Margin

Forested Wetland

Shrubby Wetland

Habitat:

W Water Tolerant: Somewhat

Soil: Average Garden Soil Rich Moist Very Damp/Wet Clay

Plant in:

June

Other Attributes: Butterfly attracting

Exposure:

sun filtered shade

Flower Color:

Yellow

Groundcover: No